

AGILENT TECHNOLOGIES
Legal Department, 51U-PD
Intellectual Property Administration
P. O. Box 58043
Santa Clara, California 95052-8043

02-20-01

CPA/1743
PATENT APPLICATION

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 10980096-2



IN THE
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

"Express Mail" label no. EL 676000090US

Date of Deposit Feb. 17, 2001

I hereby certify that this is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

By

Michael J. Beck
Typed Name: Michael J. Beck

Anticipated Classification of this application:

Class Subclass

Prior application:

Examiner:

Art Unit:

Box CPA
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST FOR A CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) 37 CFR 1.53(d)

Sir:

This is a request for a filing under the continuing application procedure, 37 CFR 1.53(d), for a

- (X) continuation
() divisional

Prior Application

Application Serial No. 09/156,804 filed 09/17/98

Title (as originally filed) Modular Apparatus for Chemical Microanalysis

Title (as last amended)

Name of applicant(s) Patrick Kaltenbach, et al.

- (X) The prior application is hereby abandoned.
(X) The issue fee in the prior application has not been paid.
(X) Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings and entered amendments, as the basic papers for the new application.

Foreign Priority - 35 USC 119

- () Foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 has been claimed in prior application Serial No. filed on in .
() The certified copy has been filed in prior application Serial No. filed .
() A separate paper claiming direct priority to a foreign application is enclosed herewith. A certified copy of the foreign application will be provided in due course.

Petition for Extension of Time in Prior Application

- (X) A petition for extension of time is enclosed herewith.

RECEIVED
FEB 26 2001
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 1700

02/23/2001 SSITHIB1 00000003 501078 09156804
01 FC:131 710.00 CH

Assignment

- (X) The prior application is assigned to Agilent Technologies.
() The prior application is assigned to Agilent Technologies and _____
() The prior application is assigned to _____

Inventorship Statement

- () Delete the following named individuals as inventors in this application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.62(a) as a result of a change in the claimed subject matter:

Declaration and Power of Attorney

- () The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to:

Customer Number 022878

Place Customer
Number Bar Code
Label here

- (X) The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
() The power does not appear in the original papers, but was filed on _____

- () Recognize as Associate Attorney or Agent _____

Registration No. _____

- () Authorization is hereby granted by signature below of the Attorney or Agent of record.
() The Associate Attorney or Agent may not have the authority to appoint other Attorneys or Agents.

Communications

- (X) Address all future communications to:

AGILENT TECHNOLOGIES
Legal Department, 51U-PD
Intellectual Property Administration
P.O. Box 58043
Santa Clara, California 95052-8043

Direct telephone calls to:

Michael J. Beck
(650) 485-3864

Waiver of Secrecy

It is understood that secrecy under 35 USC 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a CPA application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the PTO may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file wrapper.

Other Amendments

- (X) Before calculating the filing fee, amend the prior application as follows:

() Cancel the following claims _____

() Enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.

(X) Enter the Amendment(s) under 37 CFR 1.116 dated December 18, 2000
that was unentered in the Prior Application. A copy of the Amendment(s) is (are) enclosed.

Fee Calculation

(X) The filing fee is calculated below for (X) Utility () Design

CLAIMS AS FILED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY									
(1) FOR		(2) NUMBER FILED		(3) NUMBER EXTRA		(4) RATE		(5) TOTALS	
TOTAL CLAIMS		14	—	20	0	X	\$18	\$	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS		2	—	3	0	X	\$80	\$	0
ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS		0					\$270	\$	0
BASIC FEE: Design (\$320.00); Utility (\$710.00)								\$	710
TOTAL FILING FEE								\$	710
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH		2ND MONTH		3RD MONTH		4TH MONTH		\$ 110
	\$110.00	X	\$390.00		\$890.00		\$1390.00		
TOTAL CHARGES TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT								\$	820

Charge \$ 820 to Deposit Account 50-1078. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any over payment to Deposit Account 50-1078 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 50-1078 under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, 1.19, 1.20 and 1.21. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Kaltenbach

By Michael J. Beck

Michael J. Beck

Attorney/Agent for Applicant(s)
Reg. No. 40,907

Date: Feb. 16, 2001

Telephone No.: (650) 485-3864

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on

Agilent No. 10980096-1
Attorney Docket No. 5000-0051

December 18, 2000
12/18/00 Marilyn B. McKenna
Date Signature

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Patrick KALTENBACH et al.

Serial No.: 09/156,804

Filing Date: September 17, 1998

Title: MODULAR APPARATUS FOR CHEMICAL
MICROANALYSIS



Group Art Unit: 1743

Examiner: P. Bex

RECEIVED
FEB 26 2001
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 1700

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1743

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to an office action concerning the patent application identified above, mailed from the PTO on October 19, 2000. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 13-24 and 27 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1 and 25 as follows:

DUPLOATED